



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Art Unit:** 3681  
**Examiner:** Ho, Ha Dinh  
**Applicant:** Lance M. Ward  
**Serial No:** 10/031,862  
**Filing Date:** August 26, 2003  
**For:** METHOD FOR CONTROLLING IGNITION  
OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed September 29, 2004, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows. A Remarks section follows the amendment to the claims. Applicant further requests the shortened statutory period be extended an additional two months allowing a response to the office action to be mailed on or before February 28, 2005. Applicant submits the necessary extension fee of \$225 for this two-month extension.